

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
REQUEST FOR FILING NATIONAL PATENT APPLICATION

Under 35 USC 111(a) and Rule 53(b)

PATENT APPLICATION

Hon. Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir: 01/18/01

Herewith is the PATENT APPLICATION of  
Inventor(s): SMITH, John C. et al

WITH SIGNED DECLARATION

NONPROVISIONAL  
NON REISSUE  
NON PCT NAT PHASE



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Title METHODS

Atty. Dkt.: P 276522 PHM70640/US  
M# Client Ref

including:

Date: January 18, 2001

1. Specification: 22 pages (only spec. and claims) 2. ☐ Specification in non-English language  
3. Declaration ☒ Original ☐ Facsimile/Copy ☒ Abstract 1 page(s); 12 numbered claims  
4. ☐ Drawings:        sheet(s) ☐ informal; ☐ formal of size: ☐ A4 ☐ 11"  
5. ☐ See top first page re prior Provisional, National or International application(s). ("X" box only if info is there and do not complete corresponding item 5 or 6). (Prior M#        SN       )  
6. AMEND the specification please by inserting before the first line: -- This is a ☐ Continuation-in-Part  
☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation ☐ Substitute Application (MPEP 201.09) of:  
6(a) ☐ National Appln. No.        /        filed        (M#       )  
6(b) ☐ International Appln. No.        filed         
which designated the U.S., and that International Application ☐ was ☐ was not published under PCT Article 21(2) in English.--  
7. ☐ AMEND the specification by inserting before the first line: -- This application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/       , filed        --  
8. ☒ Attached is an assignment and cover sheet. Please return the recorded assignment to the undersigned.  
9. ☐ Prior application is assigned to

by Assignment recorded        Reel        Frame       

10. FOREIGN priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(a)-(d)/365(b) based on filing in Great Britain

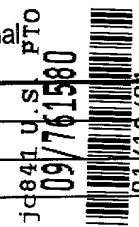
11.        (country)

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(7)		(8)	
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12. \* 1 (No.) Certified copy (copies): ☒ attached; ☐ previously filed (date)         
in U.S. Application No.        /        filed on         
13. Small entity status ☐ ☒ is not claimed; ☐ is claimed (Pre-filing confirmation required)  
13(a). ☐ Attached:        (No.) Small Entity Statement(s) (since 9/8/00 small entity statement(s) not essential to make claim)

14. **DOMESTIC/INTERNATIONAL** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional nonprovisional and/or PCT international application(s):

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15. ☐ This application is being filed under Rule 53(b)(2) since an inventor is named in the enclosed Declaration who was not named in the prior application.

16. ☒ Attached: Sequence Listing (Paper Version - 3 pages)

17. ☐ Preliminary Amendment:

**THE FOLLOWING FILING FEE IS BASED ON CLAIMS AS FILED LESS ANY ABOVE CANCELLED**

				Large/Small Entity		Fee Code
18. Basic Filing Fee				\$710/\$355	\$710	101/201
19. Total Effective Claims	15	minus 20 =	*0	x \$18/\$9 =	+ 0	103/203
20. Independent Claims	7	minus 3 =	*4	x \$80/\$40 =	+ 320	102/202
*If answer is zero or less, enter "0"						
21. If any proper multiple dependent claim (ignore improper) is present, add (Leave this line blank if this is a reissue application)				+ \$270/\$135	+ 270	104/204
22. TOTAL FILING FEE ENCLOSED =					\$1300	
23. If "non-English" box 2 is X'd, add Rule 17(k) processing fee				+ \$130	+ 0	139
24. If "assignment" box 8 is X'd, add recording fee				+ \$40	+ 40	581
25. <input type="checkbox"/> Attached is a Petition/Fee under Rule No.				+ \$130	+ 0	122
26. TOTAL FEE ENCLOSED =					\$1340	

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**This CHARGE STATEMENT does not authorize charge of the issue fee until/unless an issue fee transmittal form is filed.**

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